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This number contains several articles of interest and value. "North-China Herald."

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The Review contains a very interesting and valuable contribution by Dr. Fritzsche, on "The Amount of Precipitation (Rain and Snow) of Peking," showing the results of observations made at the Imperial Russian Observatory at Peking, from 1841 to 1880. "Notes on the Dutch Occupation of Formosa" by Mr. Geo. Phillips, contains some interesting information, although much of it is second-hand. The Notices of New Books include a most generous and appreciative review of "The China Review" of N. H. H. and the Notes and Queries are very interesting. "North-China Daily News."

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The present publication, judging by the number now before us, is intended to occupy a position, as regards Chinese literature, to that which has been filled in India by the "Chinese Review." The great degree of attention that has been bestowed of late years upon the investigation of Chinese literature, antiquities, and social developments, to say nothing of linguistic studies, has led to the accumulation of important stores of information, rendering more such channel of publicity as is now provided extremely desirable, and contributions of much interest may fairly be looked for from the members of the foreign consular services, the Chinese scholarship is now assiduously cultivated, and who are as really represented in the first number of the Review by papers highly creditable to their respective authors.

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